

Amendment to the Drawings

The Attached two sheets of formal drawings replace the informal drawing which were provided when this case was filed. The drawings, as they appear in the published application, have solidly shaded regions where they should have hatched-line regions.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets
Replaced Sheets

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office action dated June 9, 2005, the Examiner objected to claims 3, 9, 14-16 and 18 because of the manner in which Applicants presented various ranges of parameters. By this Amendment, those ranges have been amended to conform with the Examiner's suggested language. The Objection should be withdrawn.

The Examiner objected to claims 14 and 15 because of a dependency issue. As both of those claims are cancelled by this Amendment, the objection is moot and should be withdrawn.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-13 and 16-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U. S. Patent No. 6,878,610 B1 to Lin *et al.* in view of U. S. Patent No. 6,583,015 B2 to Fitzgerald *et al.* and U. S. Patent No. 6,881,635 B1 to Chidambarao *et al.* It should be noted that '635 has the same filing date as the instant Application and, lacking any other priority information, is not properly applied. The Examiner noted that claims 2, 14, 15, 20 and 21 contained allowable subject matter and would be allowable if presented in independent form.

In the Specification, no changes.

In the Claims, claims 1, 7 and 16 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claims 2, 14 and 20, respectively. Claims 2, 14, 15, 20 and 21 are cancelled.

Two (2) sheets of properly shaded formal drawings accompany this Amendment.

As the Examiner indicated that claims 2, 14 and 20 would be allowable if presented in independent form, and as by this Amendment, those claims are presented in independent form by inclusion into claims 1, 7 and 16, respectively, the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejections are believed to be overcome. The remaining claims in this Application are allowable with their allowable parent

claims.

In light of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the rejections and objections stated in the Office action, and pass the application to allowance. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the amendment or remarks, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Request for Extension of time in Which to Respond

Applicants hereby request a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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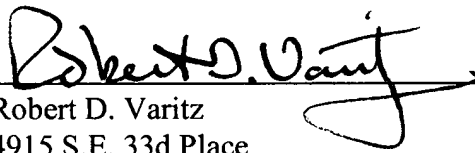
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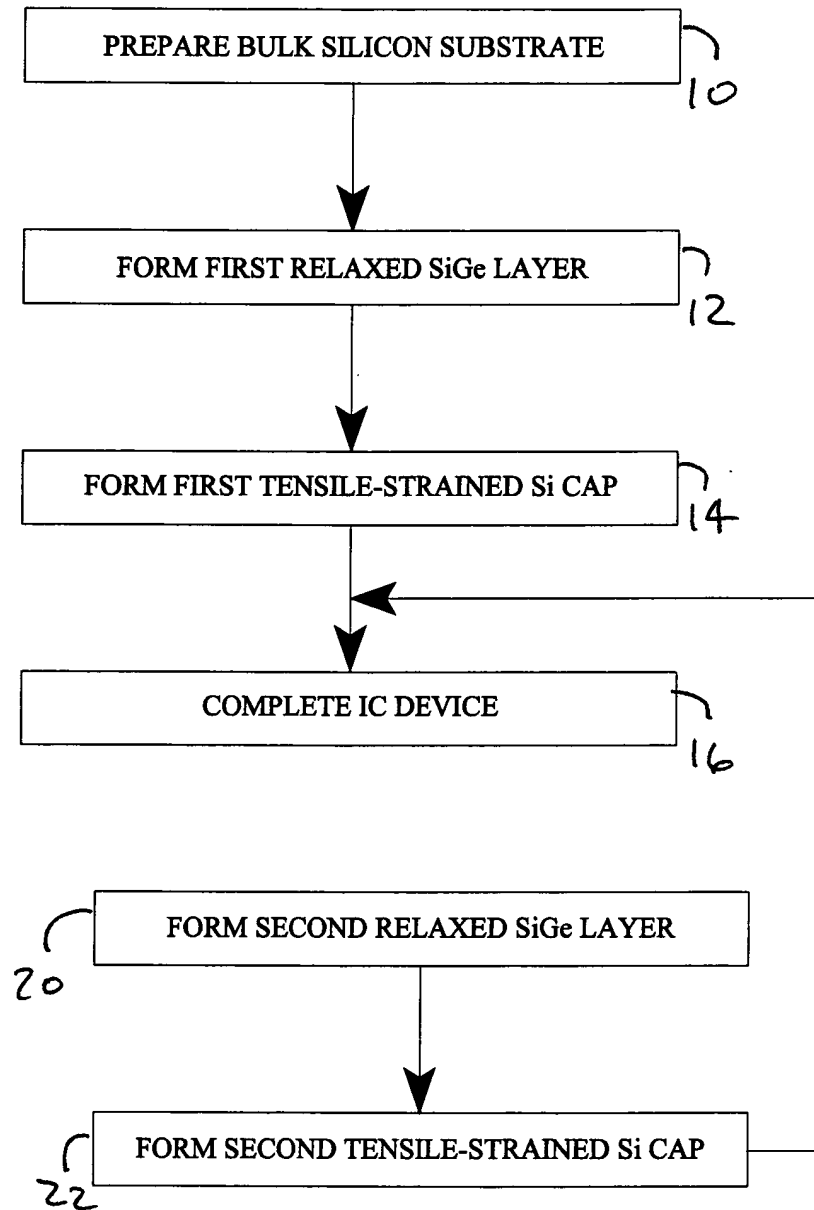


Fig. 1

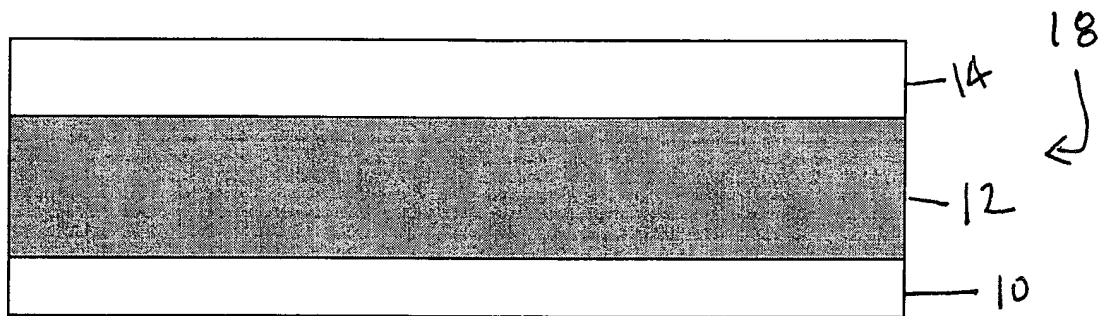


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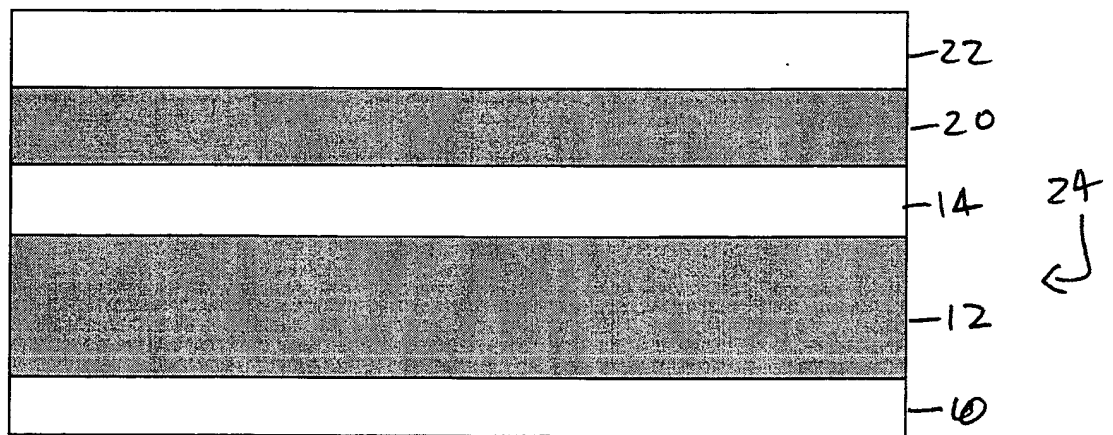


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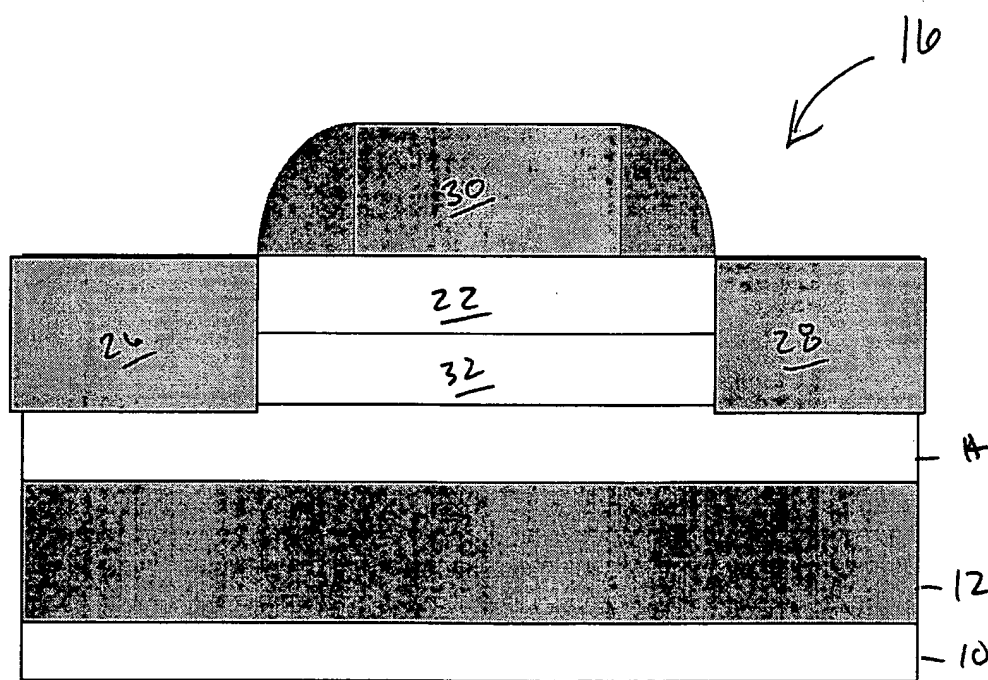


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